

## **BOX AF** Response Under 37 CFR 1.116 **Expedited Procedure Examining Group 1756**

**PATENT** 0445-0271P

### IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Masahito TANAKA et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231

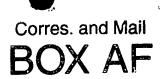
June 13, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action dated March 13, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:



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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

**EXAMINING GROUP 3748** 

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# LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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INDEPENDENT	3	-	3	=	0	\$ 84	\$0.00
☐ FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						\$280	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$0.00

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	Petition for ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
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	Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
	Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.
•	If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and futures, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for Iditional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time
	Respectfully submitted,
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